

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Canceled).

2. (Previously Presented) The electric copy board according to claim 12, wherein the transfer section transfers the image data as a file attached to an E-mail.

3. (Previously Presented) The electric copy board according to claim 12, wherein the transfer section transfers the image data in accordance with Internet facsimile standards.

Claims 4-8 (Canceled).

9. (Previously Presented) The electric copy board according to claim 12, wherein the encoder encodes the image data by JBIG (Joint Bi-level Image experts Group).

10. (Previously Presented) The electric copy board according to claim 12, wherein the encoder encodes the image data by MMR (Modified Modified READ).

Claim 11 (Canceled).

12. (Currently Amended) An electric copy board comprising:
a writing board on which an arbitrary image may be written;
a reader configured to read an image written on the writing
board to generate image data corresponding to the image;
5 an encoder configured to encode the image data;
a storage section configured to store the encoded image
data;

a control section configured to receive, from a terminal via
a computer network, a designation of encoded image data that is
10 stored in the storage section; and

a transfer section configured to transfer, via ~~a~~ the
computer network to ~~a~~ the terminal, the designated encoded image
data ~~that is designated by the terminal and~~ that is stored in the
storage section, ~~; in response to a request issued from the~~
15 ~~terminal when the terminal accesses the electric copy board via~~
~~the computer network.~~

13. (Currently Amended) An electric copy board comprising:
a writing board on which an arbitrary image may be written;
a reader configured to read an image written on the writing
board to generate image data corresponding to the image;
5 an encoder configured to encode the image data;

a designation section configured to accept a designation of a transfer destination;

a first transfer section configured to transfer the encoded image data to the designated transfer destination via a computer network;

a storage section configured to store the encoded image data transferred by the first transfer section;

a control section configured to receive, from a terminal via the computer network, a designation of encoded image data that is stored in the storage section; and

a second transfer section configured to transfer, via the computer network to ~~a~~ the terminal, the designated encoded image data ~~that is designated by the terminal and that is stored in the storage section, , in response to a request issued from the terminal when the terminal accesses the electric copy board via the computer network.~~

14. (Currently Amended) A control method for controlling an electric copy board that includes a writing board on which an arbitrary image may be written, and a storage section, said method comprising:

reading an image written on the writing board;
generating image data corresponding to the image;

encoding the image data;

storing, at the electric copy board, the encoded image data
in the storage section;

10 receiving at the electric copy board, from a terminal via a
computer network, a designation of encoded image data that is
stored in the storage section; and

transferring, via ~~a~~ the computer network to ~~a~~ the terminal,
the designated encoded image data that is ~~designated by the~~
15 ~~terminal and is stored in the storage section, , in response to a~~
~~request issued from the terminal when the terminal accesses the~~
~~electric copy board via the computer network.~~

15. (Currently Amended) A control method for controlling an
electric copy board that includes a writing board on which an
arbitrary image may be written, and a storage section, said
method comprising:

5 reading an image written on the writing board;
generating image data corresponding to the image;
encoding the image data;
accepting a designation of a transfer destination;
transferring the encoded image data to the transfer
10 destination;

storing, at the electric copy board, the encoded image data that is transferred to the transfer destination in the storage section;

15 receiving at the electric copy board, from a terminal via a computer network, a designation of encoded image data that is stored in the storage section; and

20 transferring, via ~~a~~ the computer network to ~~a~~ the terminal, the designated encoded image data ~~that is designated by the terminal and that is stored in the storage section, , in response to a request issued from the terminal when the terminal accesses the electric copy board via the computer network.~~